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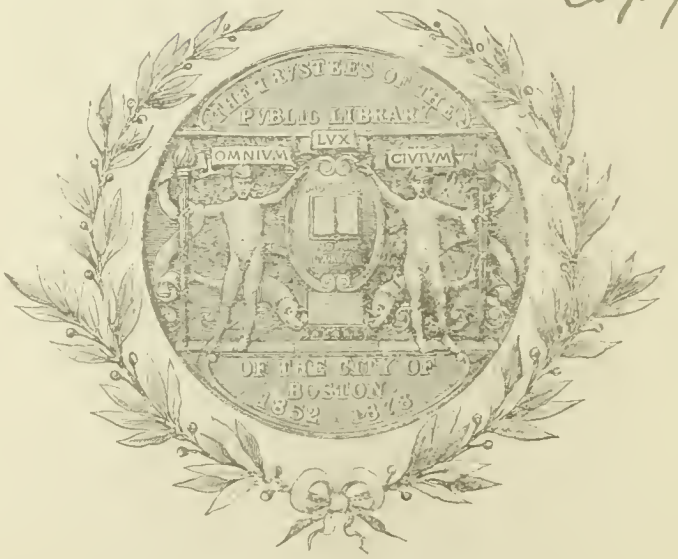

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The Darling Family

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As a family name Darling—or Dearling, as the form sometimes was,—was bestowed upon or assumed by, persons who were of engaging personality, of fine physique, handsome or of courtly manners. According to the old records the family was in England as early as the year 1200 and some of its members were anciently cup-bearers to the king. The American pioneers were of this English stock but the connection with English progenitors has not yet been established.

Two branches of the family in England were armor-bearing. One had a grant as follows:

Arms.—Per fesse crenellé azure and gules, in chief a lion passant argent, and in base two falchions in saltire, blades argent, hilt and pommels or; on a canton ermine, a mural crown or, suspended therefrom by a ribbon gules, edged azure, the Corunna medal or.

Crest.—Out of a mural crown or, a dexter arm embowed in armor proper, sustaining an ines-

cutcheon gules, thereon two faulchions in saltire as in the arms, encircled by the ribbon and medal of Corunna.

Darling of London had the following:

Arms.—Azure guttée d'or, on a fesse of the last three crosses crosslet fitchée gules.

Crest.—A female figure proper habited in a loose robe azure, holding in the dexter hand a cross crosslet fitchée gules, in the sinister a book proper.

THE FIRST AMERICAN DARLINGS

In the early records — Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine — the name Darling is spelled in several different ways: Darland, Derland, Dearland, Dealing, Durland, Darlen, Durlen, Darling and Darlyn. Wills are found, dating before 1718, in the probate courts of Suffolk and Middlesex counties of Massachusetts.

Pioneers of the Darling name were John of Salem, Mass., and Maine; George of Salem; Samuel of New Haven, Conn.; Richard of Huntington, L. I.; Dennis of Braintree and Mendon, Mass.; John of Braintree and Mendon. Some of these were undoubtedly connected but the relationship has not in every instance been certainly discovered. There were several other Darlings early in New England but their descendants have not been numerous. Nearly all the Darlings in the United

States have been derived from some one of the pioneers above named.

DENNIS DARLING of Braintree, Mass.

[From the manuscript of Carlos Parsons Darling*]

I.

Dennis Darling, or Denice Darley or Darlin, first appears in Braintree, Mass., where he was married by Peter Brackett, justice of the peace, November 3, 1662, to Hannah Francis. Nothing definite is known concerning the parentage of Hannah Francis, although it is held by some that she was a daughter of John and Rosa Francis who were in Braintree at that time. Braintree Vital Records give the following children born there to Dennis and Hannah Darling:

1. Cornelius Darling, born January 4, 1663, died March 11, 1663.
2. John Darling, born in July, 1664.
3. A son, born June 18, 1667, died June 19, 1667.
4. Sarah Darling, born November 26, 1669.
5. Cornelius Darling, born January 25, 1675.
6. Hannah Darling, born April 14, 1677.

* Carlos Parsons Darling of Lawrenceville, Tioga county, Penn., is at work upon a genealogy of the Darling and allied families, to be published in book form. He has a mass of information on hand, furnished by different members of the family residing in the United States and Europe, but there is still much to be secured before the interesting story can be told in its entirety, that the book may have the family record and history of every Darling, and descendant of a Darling. He asks that all members of the family shall send him their family history and record. He also asks for newspaper clippings referring to births, deaths and family gatherings which, if the sender wishes, will be returned after using.

Sometime during the years 1677-78, Dennis Darling and his family moved to Mendon, Mass., where he died January 25, 1717, aged 77 years. No trace has been found of the death of his wife Hannah. The Mendon Vital Records give the following children born in that town to Dennis and Hannah Darling:

7. Ebenezer Darling, born January 8, 1679.
8. Daniel Darling, born April 28, 1682.
9. Elizabeth Darling, born July 2, 1685.
10. Benjamin Darling, born February 11, 1687.

II.

Captain John Darling, born in July 1664, married first, Elizabeth Thompson, second, Anne Rockwood and, third, Elizabeth Morse. He had one child by his first wife, one by his second wife, and eleven by his third wife. He died May 29, 1753.

Nothing further is known of Sarah Darling, born November 26, 1669.

Cornelius Darling, born January 25, 1675, married Mary Frebray and had several children, born in Mendon and Rehoboth, Mass.

Hannah Darling, born April 14, 1677, is still unaccounted for.

Ebenezer Darling, born January 8, 1679, married, March 3, 1698, Mary (Wheaton) Mann, widow of Thomas Mann, but evidently left no children.

Daniel Darling, born April 23, 1782, married

Lydia ——— and had eight children. He died February 26, 1745 in Mendon, Mass.

Elizabeth Darling, born July 2, 1685, married in Mendon, Mass., January 8, 1708-9, Obadiah Wheelock.

Benjamin Darling, "gentleman" of Mendon, the youngest child of Dennis and Hannah (Francis) Darling, was born in Mendon February 11, 1687. He accumulated considerable property and was prominent in the locality. He lived on a farm of his own, consisting of a large tract of land situated in what is now the town of Blackstone, Mass., on the North Road, about three miles east of Millville, Mass., and now known as the Blackstone Poor Farm.

Benjamin Darling married, in Mendon, June 11, 1708, Mehitable White, born in Mendon, January 22, 1689, daughter of Thomas and Mehitable (Thornton?) White of Mendon, granddaughter of the first Thomas White who settled in Weymouth, Mass., in 1637. Thomas White, the father of Mehitable, was one of the early settlers and largest landowners of Milford, Mass. Mehitable (White) Darling must have died sometime after 1730, and probably was buried in the Chestnut Hill cemetery where her husband was afterward buried. She was the mother of eleven children.

Benjamin Darling married, second, in Mendon, April 17, 1760, Susanna (Benson-Thayer) White, widow of Aaron White, formerly widow of ———

Thayer, and daughter of Benoni Benson by his first wife. Benjamin Darling by this marriage had one child, a daughter.

Benjamin Darling made his will November 28, 1770, mentioning his wife Susana, his sons, Benjamin, Joseph, Ebenezer, Peter, and Thomas; the heirs of his son Samuel deceased; and his daughters, Deborah Wheelock, Hannah Battles, Abigail Inman, Elizabeth Meadberry, and Anna Darling. His will was offered for probate May 22, 1772. He died, May 18, 1772, in Mendon and was buried in the old cemetery at Chestnut Hill, in Blackstone. The tombstone which marks his grave has been broken and re-set, and only shows date of his death. There is a space for two graves, evidently of his two wives, between his grave and that of his son Thomas Darling. The date of the death of his first wife, Mehitable, and the date of both birth and death of his second wife, Susana, have not been obtained.

Susana, second wife of Benjamin Darling, had previously married, December 25, 1739, Aaron White, born in Mendon, May 22, 1717, son of Joseph and Prudence (Smith) White. Aaron and Susana (Benson-Thayer) White had three children, Aaron White, Jr., Sylvia White, who married Seva Pond, and Prudence White, who married in Mendon, December 25, 1760, Stephen Darling, born in Mendon, August 21, 1738, son of Joseph and Mary (Fish) Darling, and grand-

son of Benjamin and Mehitable (White) Darling. This Stephen and Prudence (White) Darling moved to Richmond, N. H., and were parents of several children, among whom were Chloe Darling, born May 10, 1769, who married, November 30, 1786, Luke Scott, and Lucy Darling, born August 5, 1773, who married Charles Carpenter; both these families were early settlers of Deerfield township, Tioga county, Penn. This Stephen Darling's first wife Prudence died in Richmond, N. H., April 12, 1799, and he married there, second, December 25, 1799, Elizabeth Scott.

Following is a record of the children of Benjamin Darling and his two wives, as found in the Mendon Vital Records:

1. Mehitable Darling, born November 10, 1709. She probably died unmarried as she is not mentioned in her father's will of 1770.

2. Deborah Darling, born April 22, 1711; married, March 20, 1732, Daniel Wheelock of Uxbridge, Mass.

3. Benjamin Darling, born March 15, 1714; married in Smithfield, R. I., July 28, 1733, Elizabeth Force.

4. Joseph Darling, born April 14, 1716; married in Smithfield, R. I., January 6, 1733, Mary Fish. He was executor of his father's will.

5. Ebenezer Darling, born August 25, 1718; married in Smithfield, R. I., February 25, 1745, Mary Hakes.

6. Peter Darling, born June 12, 1720; married first, April 20, 1749, in Mendon, Priscilla Cook; married second, June 12, 1762, in Mendon, Anne Cook.

7. Hannah Darling, born March 25, 1722, died February 7, 1799; married Jeremiah Batteles.

8. Abigail Darling, born March 15, 1724; married in Gloucester, Mass., January 16, 1745, Elisha Inman.

9. Samuel Darling, born August 1, 1726, died before 1770; married in Mendon, April 1, 1746, Sarah White.

10. Elizabeth Darling, born April 11, 1729; married in Mendon, December 8, 1748, Benjamin Meadberry of Smithfield, R. I.

11. Thomas Darling, born May 7, 1730; married, December 4, 1749, Rachel White.

12. Anna Darling, child by second wife, born June 22, 1761; married in Mendon, September 6, 1779, Benjamin Carvell. She is mentioned in her father's will of 1770 and was a minor at that time.

JOHN DARLING of Mass. and Maine

Investigation into the history of John—sometimes recorded as John Dollen of Salem, Mass. and Monhegan island, Maine, has been persistently made in recent years by many persons, particularly Charlotte H. Abbott of Andover, Mass., whose conclusions have been adopted in the following sketch.

John Darling was of the militia of Devonshire under Lieutenant Thomas Gardner of Pemaquid; John Dolling was a sergeant of Monhegan, 1674-8, under Thomas Gerrish, leader of the militia. Later he paid a rent to the Duke of York government, recorded at Salem, for privileges; but so early as 1672, probably, he was at a fishing station either on Monhegan or at Pemaquid. He was usually called a mariner and married Mary (Bishop) Barney, daughter of Richard and Dulcibella Bishop of Salem, after the death of her first husband, John Barney. In 1679 he was assisting Thomas Bishop (2), his brother-in-law, in the settlement of the Bishop estate. In 1681 Mary Bishop (Barney) Darling, often called Sister Dollen, had children baptized in Salem church, so they appear to have become of permanent residence there about that date, while John still held his rights on Monhegan. He seems to have purchased land in the neighborhood of Bristol, Maine, in 1677—perhaps near Round pond, on Muscongus river. When the family came to Salem he lived awhile in the town and then took a farm in the Danvers part of Danvenport's plantation.

John Darling appears frequently in the records of his time. In 1672 we find a petition of John Dollen of Monhegan. He was a justice of the peace in Pemaquid. "York Deeds" contain an allusion to lots held by John Dollen and John

Palmer at Demaris Cove in a sale, 1686. In Salem is recorded his renewed lease of land on Monhegan the same year, used for planting "where he now dwelleth with a house, warehouse and barn, orchard, etc., for a yearly rent of a bushel of wheat." The *Maine Historical Recorder* gives a paper dated August 7, 1717, of Hannah Mander of Boston, widow of James, formerly of Boston, to her nephew Richard Welch, of a tract on Monhegan which formerly belonged to a first husband, Renold Kelly, "adjoining the land of her honored father, Mr. John Dollin."

In the "Book of Eastern Claims" held in the archives room of the Boston state house is a record of the rights of John Dollen, sometime of Monhegan now resident in Salem on land once held by Thomas Webber, late of Kennebec, now resident of Charlestown on the Kennebec near Arrowstick island; secured to Dollen's heirs and refers to a date of 1677. Another paper, 1715, refers to the Round Point parcel, sold by John Eldridge to John Dollen of Monhegan, fisherman, August, 1699.

John Dollen, alias Darling, died before 1713, when his son Thomas (2) brought in an inventory which however gave no clue to his estate. Before his death his wife, Mary Bishop, had died upon the Danvers farm, and he married second, in 1709, Bethia Meacham, widow of George Hacker, of Danvers, and she was still

living in 1717. Thomas Darling (2) sold the farm in 1734 and left for Framingham, Mass. He married Sarah Buxton and his history is well recorded in Middlesex county, Mass.

John Darling (2) was probably, by the best accounts, the son baptized by Sister Dolling in Salem, a babe in 1681. He married Lois Gowing of Lynnfield in 1722, lived in Westford, a carpenter in 1740 and in 1741 removed to Lunenburg, Mass., where he died about 1769, aged 88. Concerning his whereabouts between 1699 and 1709 there is only speculation. Perhaps he was with his father on the island as a trader and fisherman and it has been suggested that he may have taken over the fisherman's share of old Dolling's venture, leaving Thomas the farm in Danvers.

The fate of Mary Darling (2), who sold Bishop lots with the consent of her parents given her by the grandparents is not known. Hannah Darling (2) married Renold Kelly and lived on Monhegan. Abigail Darling (2) died single in 1725, administration given to her brother Thomas. Martha Darling (2) probably married James Ross, and returned to Falmouth. Perhaps she also had a husband who was father of Richard Welch, called nephew by Hannah.

The children of John Darling (2) belong to Lunenburg records. The line of John Darling (3) is found in New Hampshire. Benjamin Dar-

ling (3) born in Lynnfield, 1728, became a mariner, then a carpenter, came home to live with his father and married Mary Holt of Andover, 1766, and inherited the Lunenburg homestead. Timothy Darling (3) was of Princeton and Winchendon, marrying ——— Blood of Groton. Joseph Darling we find a trace of in a witness to a deed, then he is lost. The children of Thomas Darling (2) of Framingham include Jonathan of Andover, who married Sarah Wardwell, and fell in the French war, 1746, at Louisburg. Jonathan Darling (4), born in Salem, 1742, married Hannah Holt of Andover, 1763, and helped settle Blue Hill, Maine, with his wife's relatives.

OTHER COLONIAL FAMILIES

Daniel and Susanna (Webster) Darling were married December 27, 1733. Daniel Darling died November 13, 1760. Their children were: John, born in 1744; Benjamin, born in 1738; Daniel, born in 1741, died in 1767; Ruth, born in 1744, died in 1760; Abraham, born in 1746; Mollie, born in 1748.

Susanna (4) Webster, who became the wife of Daniel Darling, was descended from Thomas (1) and Margery Webster of Ormsby, England; Thomas (2) and Sarah (Brewer) Webster of Ormsby, Watertown, Mass., and Hampton, N. H.; Ebenezer (3) and Hannah (Judkins) Webster of Hampton and Kingston, N. H. After the death of her husband her homestead was set

off from Kingston, N. H., into the new town of Hawke.

Benjamin Darling, son of Daniel and Susanna (Webster) Darling, settled first in Hawke, N. H., and subsequently in Sanborton, N. H. He carried on the first mill in Sanborton and was an original member of the Congregational church there in 1771-2. He died April 16, 1795(?). By his wife Hannah, whom he married in 1755, he had: Susanna, born January 5, 1759; Reuben, born March 8, 1762; Ebenezer, born January 11, 1765; Daniel, born March 29, 1768; Betsey, born April 27, 1771; Ruth, born July 2, 1774. He fought at Crown Point in 1756.

John Darling of Salisbury, Mass., was a son of ——— and Naomi (Flanders) Darling, his mother, born December 15, 1656, being a daughter of Stephen and Jane Flanders and the name of his father not of record, but perhaps John Darling a grandson of George Darling of Salem. He married Mary Page, born November 18, 1674, daughter of Onesiphorno and Mary (Hauxworth) Page of Salisbury. Afterwards he was in East Kingston, N. H., when that town was set off from the older town of Kingston. His children were: Onesiphorus, John, Daniel and probably Abigail, the names of two of the sons preserving the surnames of the Darling family and the names of the eldest son and the daughter pre-

serving the names of the family of the mother (Mary Page).

Samuel Darling was born in 1695, probably in Jamaica, L. I. His father ——— Darling married ——— Burrows in Jamaica, probably about 1690-5. Samuel married about 1718, probably in Newport, R. I., or vicinity the "widow Macomber," whose first husband was Abiel Macomber and whose maiden name was Susanna Childs, born in 1680. Their only child, Thomas Darling, was born in Newport, R. I., February 21, 1719, and married July 23, 1745, Abigail Noyes, born March 20, 1724, daughter of the Reverend Joseph and Abigail (Pierpont) Noyes. In 1722 Samuel Darling with his wife, child, and sister Dorothy Griffin, a childless widow, removed to New Haven, Conn., where he practised law until his death, April 29, 1760. His remains with those of his wife, his son Thomas and his daughter-in-law Abigail are in the Grove street cemetery, New Haven. Thomas Darling died November 30, 1798, and his wife Abigail died in 1797. In Jamaica there was a Samuel Darling who deeded land in 1697-8 and a Thomas Darling was living there in 1690. There was also a Thomas Darling in Elizabethtown, N. J., about 1700.

Thomas and Joanna Darling were of Salem, Mass., in 1690 and after 1735 of Framingham, Mass. Either sons or brothers of this Thomas

Darling were John, Amos and Jonathan of Framingham.

John Darling and his wife Abigail lived in Framingham, Mass. Their children were: Abigail, born June 2, 1736; John, born March 24, 1737-8; Amasa, born March 13, 1743; Timothy, born August 12, 1747.

Amos and Hepzibah (Bruce) Darling of Southboro, Framingham and Marlboro, Mass., had these children: Joseph, born October 29, 1746; Elizabeth, born March 2, 1748; Jonas, born June 4, 1753; Lucy, born August 13, 1755; Amos, born June 16, 1757; Hepsibah, born December 8, 1759; Lydia, born July 10, 1762; Daniel, born July 24, 1765.

John Darling, of Fairfield, Conn., married Elizabeth Beers, daughter of James Beers. His estate was administered in 1719 with divisions to sons, John, James, Joseph and Benjamin and daughters Hannah and Martha. The daughter Hannah married Richard Whitney of Fairfield and the daughter Martha married John Bradley of Fairfield. From a Salem, Mass., deed—Volume 67, deed 134, Essex court—it appears that this John Darling was a son of Theodore and Katherine (Gridley) Darling of Salem, Katherine Gridley being, perhaps, a daughter of Nathaniel Gridley. George Darling who appears to have married Katherine Gridley before 1674,

died before October 9, 1693, the date of the probate of his will.

George Darling, of Lynn, Mass., had a son, George, born in March, 1667. He lived in that part of Lynn which afterward became Swampscott. In his will, dated April 12, 1693, he mentions wife Catherine, sons James, Daniel, Thomas, Benjamin and John and daughters Sarah, Hannah and Margaret. (Salem Probate Records, volume 203, page 148.) Other records show that one of the daughters married Jonathan Whipple of Providence and that a daughter Martha, not mentioned in her father's will, married November 13, 1706, James Ross.

John Darling was in Braintree, Mass., before 1677. He married Elizabeth Downham, thought to have been a daughter of John and Dorothy Downham of Braintree. Issue: Mary, born in 1664; John, born in 1666; Samuel, born in 1669; Margaret, born in 1672; Margaret again, born in 1677. He is thought to have been a brother of Dennis Darling.

George Darling, a mariner, originally of Salem, Mass., subsequently settled in Charlestown. He married, September 15, 1709, Abigail Reed, daughter of S. Reed, and died December 10, 1723, in the thirty-seventh year of his age. His widow Abigail died November 27, 1739, in the fifty-seventh year of her age. Issue: George,

born June 9, (bapt. 11), 1710; Abigail, born April 27, 1712, died October 16, 1728; Samuel, born September 10, 1715; James, baptized March 24, 1718, died November 5, 1735; Elizabeth, baptized December 27, 1719, married James Fosdick; George, baptized February 9, 1723-4, died July 2, 1730.

One investigator has suggested the following lines from George Darling (1) of Salem, Mass.:

James (2) of Salem, married Hannah Lewis; George (3) of Charlestown; William (3) of Charlestown, whose sons were, William (4) and Timothy (4) later of Hopkinton, Mass., and Kingston, Mass.

Thomas (2) of Salem and Middleborro, Mass., married Joanna ———; John (3) of Middleboro, and Thomas (3).

Benjamin (2), of Salem.

Henry (2), of Salem, married Joanna Mitchell; Henry (3), John (3), Benjamin (3), Joseph (3).

John (2), of Salem; Thomas (3), of Framingham, whose sons were, Ebenezer (4), Amos (4) and Jonathan (4), of Andover, Mass.

Daniel (2), of Salem; Daniel (3).

Captain Samuel Darling, probably a grandson of Dennis Darling was born about 1700 and died in Milford, Mass., July 27, 1782. His remains with those of his wife, Thomasine, were interred in the old burying ground in that town.

Jonathan Darling of Plymouth, Mass., married, March 21, 1748, Martha Bramhall, daughter of Joshua and Sarah (Rider) Bramhall. Their children, all born in Plymouth, were: Lydia, born April 30, 1750; Benjamin, born November 1, (old style November 12), 1752; Sarah, born October 4, 1754; Mary, born August 28, 1756; John, born December 23, 1758.

John Darling was in Winchenden, Mass., as early as 1754. After the French and Indian war several Indians declared that with intent to kill, they once watched him as he was mowing in his meadow. He was a portly, athletic man, with large prominent eyes, the whites of which were so big and glaring that they frightened the Indians away. By his wife Ruth he had: Joseph, born July 26, 1762, and Priscilla and Calvin, twins, born June 13, 1765.

Timothy and Joanna Darling, of Winchenden, Mass., had these children: Daniel, born July 9, 1761; Oliver, born October 13, 1763; Anna, born September 19, 1765.

Andrew Darling, merchant, married in Fairfield, Ga., near Sunbury, September 13, 1764, Jeanie Baillie, daughter of Kenneth Baillie.

Betsey Darling, daughter of Andrew Darling, deceased, married in Liberty county, Ga., September 27, 1787, Charles Irvine, son of Dr. John Irvine.

John Darling, born in England in 1750, came to America about 1774 or 1775, landing in Salem, Mass. Subsequently he settled in Lebanon, N. H., where he died in 1827. By his first wife, Sarah, who died in 1787, he had four sons and two daughters: John, 1779; Daniel, Roswell, Ebenezer, Lucy and Mary. He married, second, Elizabeth Slingerland of Albany county, N. Y., born in 1758, daughter of Garret T. and Egie (Vanderzee) Slingerland, and descended from Teunis Cornelise Slingerland who came from Holland in 1617. By this second marriage there was one son, William.

John Darling, from Winchenden, Mass., settled in Chelmsford, Mass., in 1778. A brother, Jewett, was in Chelmsford in 1781 but did not long remain there. Another brother, Calvin, married and removed to Canada but returned to Massachusetts after many years. John Darling was in the expedition which General Benedict Arnold lead through the wilderness to attack the city of Quebec in 1775. He married, in Groton, Mass., Sarah Blood who died June 6, 1804, aged 49. He married, second, the widow Lydia Baker of Winchenden, who died September 9, 1815, aged 52. He married, third, in 1815, the widow Mary Taylor, daughter of the Reverend Abraham Wood. His children were: by first wife, John, born December 17, 1778; Montgomery, born April 8, 1785; Nahum, born August 22,

1786; Darius, born June 26, 1787; Boynton, born January 23, 1790; Sarah, born September 23, 1791; Mary Ann, born April 31, 1794; Louis, born January 2, 1796; by third wife, Heliann and Joseph, born in August, 1819.

Tombstone Inscriptions

(From the Old Cemetery, Middleboro, Mass.)

Mary Darling, daughter of John and Elizabeth, March 9, 1776, 44th yr.

Nathan Darling, April 19, 1812, 79th yr.

Martha Darling, widow of Nathan, May 12, 1812, 79th yr.

Mary Darling, daughter of Nathan and Martha, February 7, 1792, 21 yrs., 5 mos., 17 days.

John Darling, son of Nathan and Martha, November 14, 1776, 3rd month.

DARLINGS IN THE CENSUS OF 1790

The first census of the United States was taken in 1790. It comprised an enumeration of the heads of families, with the number of members of each family, in the present states of Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont and Virginia. The returns for the states of Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, New Jersey, Tennessee and Virginia were destroyed when the British burned the capitol in Washington, during the war of 1812. The original schedules of the other states are now preserved in the census office in Washington. The loss of the Virginia records has been in a measure made up by the state enumerations of the years 1782, 1783, 1784 and 1785 and by certain county tax lists.

At the time this census was taken the total white population of the United States was 3,172,-444 and the heads of families enumerated were 410,636. The heads of the enumerated families were practically the founders of the republic.

There were then 152 Darling heads of families, with 674 individual members. From these all the Darlings in the United States of today whose family history goes back to the American colonial period are descended. By states these heads of families were located as follows: Maine, 5; New Hampshire, 19; Vermont, 13; Massachusetts, 68; Rhode Island, 9; Connecticut, 8; New York, 23; Pennsylvania, 2; Maryland, 2; Virginia, 2; South Carolina, 1.

In the list that follows, arranged by states, the Christian name of each head of family is first given and then the name of the place of residence, the county of the state and the number of males and females in the family, respectively designated m. and fm.:

MAINE

Eliakim, Eastern River, Township No. 2, Hancock, 2 m.

James, Fairfield, Lincoln, 1 m.

Jno., Gorham or Scarborough, Cumberland, 4 m., 2 fm.

Jonathan, Bluehill, Hancock, 4 m., 4 fm.

Joseph, Fairfield, Lincoln, 4 m., 3 fm.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Aaron, Swanzey, Cheshire, 2 m., 2 fm.

Abraham, Sanbornton, Strafford, 3 m., 3 fm.

Amos, Jaffrey, Cheshire, 1 m., 2 fm.

Benja. B., Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 3 m., 2 fm.

Daniel, Sanbornton, Strafford, 3 m., 1 fm.

David, Surrey, Cheshire, 2m., 3 fm.
Davis, Hinsdale, Cheshire, 3 m., 2 fm.
Ebenezer, Sanbornton, Strafford, 4m., 3 fm.
Elizabeth, Hawke, Rockingham, 1 fm.
Hurculas, Croydon, Cheshire, 1 m., 1 fm.
John, Chesterfield, Cheshire, 6 m., 1 fm.
John, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 2 m., 1 fm.
John, Hampstead, Rockingham, 3 m., 5 fm.
Moses, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 5 m., 4 fm.
Onesimus, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 1 m., 1 fm.
Peter, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 6 m., 2 fm.
Stephen, Winchester, Cheshire, 1m., 2 fm.
Timothy, Hopkinton, Hillsborough, 9 m., 4 fm.
William, Charlestown, Cheshire, 4 m., 3 fm.

VERMONT

John, Groton, Orange, 6m., 5 fm.
John, Woodstock, Windsor, 3 m., 3 fm.
John, Woodstock, Windsor, 4 m., 3 fm.
Caleb, Townsend, Windham, 4 m., 1 fm.
Joseph, Woodstock, Windsor, 4 m., 5 fm.
Oliver, Westminster, Windham, 2 m., 3 fm.
Peter, Halifax, Windham, 2 m., 5 fm.
Robert, Groton, Orange, 3 m., 4 fm.
Samuel, Brandon, Rutland, 3 m., 3 fm.
Seth, Hartland, Windsor, 2 m., 2 fm.
Timo., Rockingham, Windham, 2 m., 4 fm.
Widow, Putney, Windham, 1 m., 4 fm.
William, Bradford, Orange, 5 m., 2 fm.

MASSACHUSETTS

———, Boston, Suffolk, 2 m., 2 fm.

Abner, Bernardston, Hampshire, 4 m., 1 fm.
Benjamin, Bellingham, Suffolk, 2 m., 2 fm.
Benjamin, Pembroke, Plymouth, 1 m., 4 fm.
Benjamin, Middleborough, Plymouth, 3 m., 6 fm.
Benjamin, Boston, Suffolk, 3 m., 3 fm.
Benjamin, Lunenburgh, Worcester, 4 m., 1 fm.
Corne, Bellingham, Suffolk, 1 m. 2 fm.
David, Adams, Berkshire, 2 m., 5 fm.
David J., Adams, Berkshire, 3 m., 1 fm.
Eli, Franklin, Suffolk, 1 m., 4 fm.
Elijah, Palmer, Hampshire, 5 m., 6 fm.
Ellenor, Marblehead, Essex, 1 fm.
Ellis, Wrentham, Suffolk, 2 m., 2 fm.
Enoch, Bellingham, Suffolk, 1 m., 2 fm.
Ichabod, Hancock, Berkshire, 2 m., 1 fm.
Jedediah, Greenfield, Hampshire, 4 m., 4 fm.
Jesse, Mendon, Worcester, 2 m., 2 fm.
Jewett, Winchendon, Worcester, 1 m., 2 fm.
Job, Mendon, Worcester, 2 m., 2 fm.
Job, Jr., Mendon, Worcester, 4 m., 5 fm.
John, Greenfield, Hampshire, 1 m., 1 fm.
John, Sherburn, Nantucket, 5 m., 5 fm.
John, Bellingham, Suffolk, 4 m., 3 fm.
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John, Mendon, Worcester, 3 m., 3 fm.
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John, Jr., Mendon, Worcester, 1 m., 1 fm.
John, Jr., Mendon, Worcester, 1 m., 1 fm.
Jonas, Framingham, Middlesex, 6 m., 3 fm.
Joseph, Marblehead, Essex, 1 m., 1 fm.

Joseph, Palmer, Hampshire, 2 m., 3 fm.
Joseph, South Brimfield, Hampshire, 2 m., 4 fm.
Joseph, Duxborough, Plymouth, 1 m., 5 fm.
Joshua, Bellingham, Suffolk, 2 m., 3 fm.
Joshua, Uxbridge, Worcester, 2 m., 3 fm.
Margaret, Duxborough, Plymouth, 1 m., 5 fm.
Mary, Plymouth, Plymouth, 1 m., 3 fm.
Mary, Lunenburgh, Worcester, 2 m., 2 fm.
Matthew, Mendon, Worcester, 3 m., 4 fm.
Nathan, Middleborough, Plymouth, 3 m., 3 fm.
Pelatiah, Mendon, Worcester, 4 m., 5 fm.
Peter, Medway, Suffolk, 3 m., 2 fm.
Peter, Mendon, Worcester, 2 m., 2 fm.
Richard, Bellingham, Suffolk, 2 m., 2 fm.
Samuel, West Stockbridge, 2 m., 2 fm.
Samuel, Duxborough, Plymouth, 2 m., 4 fm.
Samuel, Bellingham, Suffolk, 4 m., 3 fm.
Samuel, Bellingham, Suffolk, 1 m., 4 fm.
Samuel, Mendon, Worcester, 3 m., 2 fm.
Simeon, Mendon, Worcester, 4 m., 3 fm.
Thomas, Middleborough, Plymouth, 1 m., 1 fm.
Timothy, Bellingham, Suffolk, 4 m.
Timothy, Lunenburgh, Worcester, 1 m., 1 fm.
William, Cambridge, Middlesex, 1 m., 1 fm.
William, Mendon, Worcester, 5 m., 5 fm.
Zeleg, Sutton, Worcester, 3 m., 2 fm.

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Ebinizar, Cumberland, Providence, 3 m., 3 fm.
Ebinezar, Cumberland, Providence, 3 m., 3 fm.

John, Cumberland, Providence, 4 m., 2 fm.
John, Cumberland, Providence, 2 m., 5 fm.
John, Jr., Cumberland, Providence, 6 m., 3 fm.
Peter, Cumberland, Providence, 8 m., 3 fm.
Peter, Jr., Cumberland, Providence, 2 m., 5 fm.
Sarah, Glocester, Providence, 2 m., 7 fm.

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Joseph, New Haven, New Haven, 2 m., 3 fm.
Samuel, Weston, Fairfield, 3 m., 2 fm.
Samuel, New Haven, New Haven, 4 m., 3 fm.
Samuel, Wallingford, New Haven, 4 m., 3 fm.
Thomas, Woodbridge, New Haven, 4 m., 1 fm.

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David, Claverack, Columbia, 1 m., 1 fm.
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Jesop, Claverack, Columbia, 1 m., 1 fm.
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Solomon, Northeast, Dutchess, 2 m., 3 fm.
Stephen, Hebron, Washington, 2 m., 1 fm.
Stephen, Westfield, Washington, 2 m., 1 fm.
Zephaniah, Canaan, Columbia, 4 m., 1 fm.

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Ann, Germantown, Philadelphia, 2 fm.

MARYLAND

Morris, Baltimore, Baltimore, 2 m., 2 fm.
Thomas, ———, Baltimore, 2 m., 2 fm.

VIRGINIA

William, Hampshire county, 6 m. and fm.
William, Jr., Hampshire county, 6 m. and fm.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Thomas, Charleston district, St. Bartholomes parish, 2 m., 3 fm.

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